

KATIE M. HOBBS Governor THOMAS BUSCHATZKE
Director

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT of WATER RESOURCES
1110 West Washington Street, Suite 310
Phoenix, Arizona 85007
602.771.8500
azwater.gov

Douglas AMA Management Goal Development & Adoption Process

For Discussion at Douglas AMA Public Meeting – April 11, 2023

Initial Draft Goal

The management goal of the Douglas AMA is to support the general economy and welfare of communities in the basin by attempting to reduce the rate of aquifer depletion by 2035 and by further attempting to reduce the rate of aquifer depletion every 10 years thereafter.

Next steps:

- April 21, 2023: Informal Public Comment Deadline
- May 2023 (estimated): Formal Comment Period Begins
- June 2023 (estimated): Public Hearing on the Adoption of the Goal, Formal Comment Period Ends
- July 2023 (estimated): ADWR Decision on Adoption of the Goal (within 30 days of the hearing)
- August 2023 (estimated): ADWR Begins Management Plan Development Process
- October December 2024 (estimated): Management Plan Promulgation and Adoption
- January 1, 2027 (estimated): Management Plan Requirements Become Effective

January 5, 2023: Information Session

- AMA Overview
- Goal Framework
- Informal Public Comment

Next: Goal Adoption (estimated May - July 2023)

- Formal Public Comment
- Public Hearing
- ADWR Decision









April 11, 2023: Draft Goal Discussion

- Draft Goal
- Informal Public Comment Deadline: April 21, 2023

Later: Management Plan
Development,
Establishment of
Grandfathered Rights,
Establishment of GUAC,
Publication of
Groundwater Model,
Adoption of Assured Water
Supply Rules, etc.